DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN AND FOR THE STATE OF UTAH 2 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION 3 BY THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND ORIGINAL 4 MINING FOR AN ORDER DIRECTING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO RECOVER CIVIL 5 PENALTIES, WITHDRAWING THE NOTICES OF INTENTION, AND REQUIRING IMMEDIATE RECLAMATION OR FORFEITING 6 SURETIES FOR THE APEX/BURGIN MINE 7 (M/049/009), TRIXIE SHAFT MINE AREA (M/049/024), AND THE TRIXIE WEST 8 EXPLORATION AREA (E/049/046); THE CHIEF CONSOLIDATED MINING CO. 9 D/B/A CHIEF GOLD MINE, SOUTH STANDARD MINING COMPANY, AND TINTIC 10 UTAH METALS, LLC; IN SECTIONS 11, 15, 21, 22 AND 28, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, 11 RANGE 2 WEST, SLB&M, UTAH COUNTY, UTAH. 12 Docket No. 2005-013, Cause Nos. M/049/009, 13 M/049/024, E/049/046 14 15 The Department of Natural Resources TAKEN AT: 1594 West North Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 16 Wednesday, September 27, 2006 DATE: 17 TIME: 12:26 p.m. 18 19 20 21 REPORTED BY: Jennifer Moio, RPR 22 ATKINSON-BAKER, INC. FILED COURT REPORTERS 23 (800) 288-3376www.depo.com OCT 19 2006 2.4 FILE NO.: A008524 SECRETARY, BOARD OF

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PROCEEDINGS

MR. PLACOCK: We have one linds ream.
It will be short. We will try to conclude that
relatively quick. It is item 14 on your agenda,
Docket No. 2005-013, Cause No. M/049/009,
M/049/024, E/049/046. In the matter of the
petition by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining for
an order directing the Attorney General to recover
civil penalties withdrawing the notices of
intention and requiring immediate reclamation or
forfeiting sureties for the Apex/Burgin Mine
(M/049/009), Trixie Shaft Mine Area (M/049/024),
and the Trixie West Exploration Area (E/049/046);
the Chief Consolidated Mining Company doing
business as Chief Gold Mine, South Standard Mining
Company, and Tintic Utah Metals, LLC; in Sections
11, 15, 21, 22 and 28, Township 10 South, Range 2
West, Salt Lake Basin Meridian, Utah County, Utah.
And we will turn to Mr. Alder for his request from
the Division.

MR. ALDER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Reading that is a reminder to make those captions shorter. I apologize.

MR. PEACOCK: Well, I don't know how to

read slashes and parens.

MR. ALDER: This matter has basically been resolved. There is a stipulation which provided for a mining plant to be modified and the surety to be modified, and at the conclusion of those events the penalties that were originally assessed were to be evaluated by the Division. Then the matter was to come back to the Board for dismissal completely.

It was continued without date, I think, last December, and there was an internal deadline of June to get that mining plan modified. We were unable to meet that deadline, and the Division feels that the operator is working on this mine and on this mine plan diligently, and they really have no concerns, but we were trying to get this stipulation that's before you more up-to-date. We put it on the agenda for today believing that that would get us the modification necessary.

We were unable to reach an agreement, and we would ask the Board to continue this until next month, at which time I think we will be able to present to you a modified stipulation, and we'll take care of those concluding items.

MR. PEACOCK: So your request is for

a -- to carry this forward to the next month's 1 2 meeting. MR. ALDER: Yes, Sir. 3 MR. PEACOCK: Any question from the 4 Board? Any objection? Do we need a motion or --5 MR. QUIGLEY: I'll make that motion. 6 MR. PEACOCK: I have a motion. 7 MR. PETERSEN: Second. 8 MR. PEACOCK: And a second that we 9 approve the Division's request to carry forward 10 this item to the October meeting. Those in favor 11 12 say aye. 13 BOARD MEMBERS: Aye. 14 MR. PEACOCK: Any opposed say may. unanimous. 15 MR. ALDER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. 16 MR. PEACOCK: Is there any other 17 business that should properly come before this 18 meeting at this time? If not, we thank you all for 19 your attendance and your participation. The Board 20 will meet for a lunch at this time, and we will --21 we will adjourn this meeting at this time. Thank 22

(Whereupon the proceedings in this matter were concluded at 12:30 p.m.)

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you all.

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF UTAH)
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE)

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the testimony in the matter of Docket No. 2005-013, Cause Nos. M/049/009, M/049/024, E/049/046 was taken before me, Jennifer Moio, Registered Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Utah.

That the testimony was reported by me in Stenotype, and thereafter transcribed by computer under my supervision, and that a full, true, and correct transcription is set forth in the foregoing pages, numbered 3 through 5 inclusive.

I further certify that I am not of kin or otherwise associated with any of the parties to said cause of action, and that I am not interested in the event thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 9th day of October, 2005.

Jennifer Moio, RPR

My commission expires: 1 June 2009

